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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first, and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first, and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled DIELECTRIC-IN-DIELECTRIC DAMASCENE PROCESS FOR MANUFACTURING PLANAR WAVEGUIDES, the specification of which is attached hereto.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claim(s) as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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As a named inventor, I hereby appoint Phyllis T. TURNER-BRIM (Reg. No. 39,864) as well as any other patent attorney and/or agent registered with this office under Customer Number 29050, to prosecute and transact all business in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office connected with the present application.

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WHEREAS, I/we, David G. MIKOLAS, of Rowland Heights, California have invented and own a certain invention entitled DIELECTRIC-IN-DIELECTRIC DAMASCENE PROCESS FOR MANUFACTURING PLANAR WAVEGUIDES for which invention I/we have executed an application (provisional or non-provisional) for a United States patent, filed on March 28, 2003, under Application No. 60/458,508; and

WHEREAS, Cabot Microelectronics Corporation, of 870 North Commons Drive, Aurora, Illinois, 60504, (hereinafter referred to as Assignee), is desirous of acquiring the entire domestic and foreign right, title, and interest in and under the invention described in the patent application;

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable considerations, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, I/we assign and transfer to the Assignee and the Assignee's legal representatives, successors and assigns the full and exclusive rights in and to the invention in the United States and every foreign country and the entire right, title, and interest in and to the patent application and other such applications (e.g., provisional applications, non-provisional applications, continuations, continuations-in-part, divisionals, reissues, renewals, and extensions) that may be filed in the United States and every foreign country on the invention, and the patents or extensions thereof, both foreign and domestic, that may issue thereon, and I/we do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue United States patents to the above-mentioned Assignee agreeably with the terms of this assignment document.

I/WE HEREBY AUTHORIZE the Assignee to insert in this assignment document the filing date and serial number of the application if the date and number are unavailable at the time this document is executed.

UPON SAID CONSIDERATION, I/we convey to the Assignee the right to make application in its own behalf for protection of the invention in countries foreign to the United States and to claim under the International Convention and/or other international arrangement for any such application the date of the United States application (or any other application on the invention) to gain priority with respect to other applications.

I/WE DO HEREBY COVENANT and agree with the Assignee that I/we will not execute any writing or do any act whatsoever conflicting with the terms of this assignment document set forth herein, and that I/we will at any time upon request, without further or additional consideration, but at the expense of the Assignee, execute such additional assignments and other writings and do such additional acts as the Assignee may deem necessary or desirable to perfect the Assignee's enjoyment of this assignment, and render all necessary assistance in making application for and obtaining original, continuation, continuation-in-part, divisional, reissued, renewal, or extended patents of the United States or of any and all foreign countries on the invention, and in enforcing any rights or choses in action accruing as a result of such applications or patents, and by executing statements and other affidavits, it being understood that the foregoing covenant and agreement shall bind, and inure to the benefit of, the assigns and legal representatives of all parties hereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I/we have hereunder set my/our hands on the dates shown below.

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